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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL**

Docket No. 08493.7004

Applicant: Giorgio Trani and Marion Sterner  
 Serial No: 09/678,008  
 Filed: October 3, 2000  
 For: CONTAINER WITH INHERENTLY STABLE BASE MADE OF FLEXIBLE  
 MATERIAL AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING IT  
 Examiner: Sameh H. Tawfik  
 Art Unit: 3721

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 Washington, D.C. 20231

**This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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iv. ☐ Other

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of month(s).
- b. ☐ Other

**3. Extension of Time**

- ☒ A petition for a 2 month Extension of Time is enclosed.

**4. Small Entity Statement(s)**

- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
- ☐ Small entity status is no longer claimed.

**5. Fees**

RCE fee	\$740.00
Extension of Time	\$400.00
Other	<u>\$0.00</u>
	\$1,140.00

Reduction for small entity	\$570.00
Total fee	\$570.00

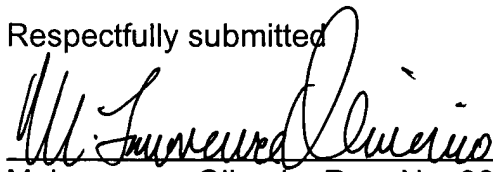
**6. Payment**

- ☒ Check in the amount of the total fee.
- ☐ Charge Account No. 02-3038 in the amount of the total fee. A duplicate of this transmittal sheet is attached.

**7. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, §1.17 and §1.18 required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 02-3038.

Respectfully submitted



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